

FARMING AND LIVE STOCK PAGE

LINCOLN'S VALUE.

One of the inspirations that come to farm boys is the splendid life of Abraham Lincoln, now in review because the 12th of February marks the centenary of his birth.

It is an inspiration because it is a splendid object lesson, to the humblest farm lad of our land, of how to rise from his lowly beginnings to the most coveted gifts of usefulness in the nation.

No employment is so honored that it can lay claim to all the advantages that go to fit men for service, but to agriculture above all others, belongs the proud distinction of affording to the growing youth that opportunity for right and healthy development of mind, body and heart that counts for the highest in the struggle of life. Above all it gives to its freemen a moral outlook, a pure and lofty uplift which keeps the mind, as the directing force of the man, perfectly poised amid the distracting disturbances of the rushing world.

Lincoln learned the secrets of strength in his communings with nature, in the woods, the fields, the log cabin and the country store. He deliberately chose the good, read the best at his hand and exercised that discrimination between good and evil attributes that may be the property of every lad who yet sees the glorious sunsets and the roseate morns from the hilltops of his country home.

INCREASE THE LAND'S FERTILITY.

Spring is approaching fast, and farmers must now look to the production of the maximum from the land this year. It was never intended that a half crop should be harvested from the soil of Ontario. But there are many things done on our farms that prevent a full crop being returned and likewise many are not done that would develop latent energy.

Cultivation is the first great need of our farm lands. Too often we have expected crop from a light scratching over of the surface but that day of successful farming is past. It is science and energy now that reaps the big fields. Again, our applications of soil food have been very intermittent and unsystematic. A rotation of crops with an application of barnyard manure once in four years is a very good one, but where the land is intensively farmed this is not enough. There are many fields that do not get this good treatment. Others there are where indirect fertilizers are needed, such as salt and lime. Especially in the case of corn, clovers and legumes, is plaster a good aid. Land plaster, otherwise known as gypsum, is sulphate of lime, and applications of it to clover, corn and oats allow the lime to act on the soil ingredients in such a way as to render the plant food in such a shape as to be readily taken up by the tender roots.

Just so is the action of salt on many heavy soils. Both these are known as indirect fertilizers because they assist in the liberation of plant food from a soil already supplied with the elements. No doubt there are other advantages accruing from their use also.

To get value from plaster or seeds, it is well to sow it on the plants just as soon in the spring as one can walk on the land. The use of rock phosphate with the stable manure is also put on the fields is also a good plan.

LIVE STOCK INSURANCE.

In another column will be found the advertisement of the General Animals' Insurance Company of Canada, whose representatives for Toronto and Western Ontario are the well-known insurance brokers, Messrs. Burnett, Ormsby & Clapp, Limited, 38 Wellington Street East, Toronto.

We would more particularly draw the attention of our readers who are interested in pure bred stock, to the fact that they now have a means of insuring themselves against loss by practically any cause. The need of a good, sound home company for a class of insurance has long been felt, and now that such a company is in the field we have no doubt but that they will receive the unanimous support of the stock breeders of the Dominion.

The fact that the president of the company is that well known Clydesdale and Ayrshire breeder and importer, Mr. Robert Ness, Howick, Quebec, whose name is practically a household word among stock men, should in itself be sufficient to give the public every confidence in the General Animals' Insurance Company.

FARMS FOR SALE.

Several fine farms in Pickering Township, where the land is becoming valuable, are offered for sale in our columns this week. The one on the fourth concession comprises 150 acres of good woodland, with 100 acres of hard wood bush, and is on the main route. The price is very reasonable and is a snap for the land is fertile and can be worked early. The cellar, first class, only a few conveniences are a workable half of price is required as a payment down.

GARDENER'S CHANCE.

Ed. Bryan, merchant of Pickering, is advertising a fine house, with out buildings and over five acres of land, by auction on Feb. 20. This is a most suitable place for a small gardener, as the land is fertile and can be worked early. The cellar, first class, only a few conveniences are a workable half of price is required as a payment down.

SOME CREDITABLE SALES SOON TO OCCUR

The World's farming pages are able to report the sale by public auction at early dates of some of the choicest Clydesdales, handiest ponies, most promising standard breeds and hackneys; the best milking grade short-horn herd east of Toronto; a utility bunch of milch cows, and as fine a line of implements as can be cornered. These sales include those of Dr. McDiarmid, Pickering; Geo. Davidson & Sons, of Cherrywood; J. W. Cowie, of Markham; A. C. Bunker and Geo. Leng of Pickering.

McDiarmid's Sale.
Donald McDiarmid, of Pickering, whose farm is situated one mile north of the village, has sold out to Jno. Crockett and leaves for the west. His stock is not large but is select. In horses he has a brood mare 12 years old, a regular breeder, in foal to the prize horse Cairngarn imp. and a perfect model of a brood mare, being large, deep bodied and handsome. Few brood mares like her are seen in ordinary farm yards. Her filly foal is a handsome one by Cairngarn imp. and is of the kind that will need no urging upon purchasers. She is the makings of a show mare.

In geldings he has a team of good ones weighing about 1400 lbs. and one was the land horse in one of the prize winners' teams at Myrtle last year. There are good cows, five and six years old. A driver five years old is a handsome bay about 16 hands. The implements are good, while the cattle consist of a few milch cows and young cattle.

Davidson & Sons' Sale.
For years George Davidson of Cherrywood has been raising and exhibiting Clydesdales. He early pinned his faith on the champion Macqueen, the greatest sire of Canada, and their winnings at Toronto are evidence enough of how well he has learned the art of Clydesdale production.

He has one stallion and two mares sired by this celebrated horse. MacRobbie, a brown stallion and a full brother to MacAirlie, who went west recently and three years old, was second as a foal, first as a yearling and third as a two and as a three year old at the Canadian National.

Fair Queen, the dam of the above two, is a fine looking matron with splendid action and style, and bears the first honors as a brood mare of 1907, 1908, 1909, besides 1904, third in 1905, and fourth in 1906. She is in foal again to old Macqueen and bids fair to raise many more of the kind.

Queen Bess (6238) is a choice daughter of the last named. She was first at two years at Toronto, taking the sweepstakes at the same show. She was first in 1905, third in imported yield mare class 1907 and first in brood mare class in 1908. She is out of Macqueen, in fact the old mare never was bred to any other sire, and is with foal to Baron Allister imp. of Graham Bros. stables.

Correctly named is the sweet Macqueen's Flower (13318), winner of first place in the open class at Chicago in 1907, as well as first in the American class. She was second at Toronto in 1908. She is the makings of the best animal in the stables.

A MacRobbie will make money for some one. He has good feet, pasterns and body.

In roadsters the matched team, Nellie and Jennie, aged four and five years, are beauties by that celebrated sire Hal Forest, 214-1-2, out of Altona, by Altona, 225-1-4, with Highland Mary as their granddam. Princess, out of the same dam by Carl King, is a choice two-year-old. She and a colt by Royal Oak make two good hackneys.

In ponies they have the first winners also. The brood mare Maud and her two colts by Spark, that pretty stallion belonging to Graham Bros., will be sure to be picked up by the fancier. More notes about these and the cattle will appear next Friday.

John W. Cowie's Sale.
Following Davidson's sale, and only a few miles distant from their farm, John W. Cowie, has a reputation well earned of being a good judge of a horse, a good feeder and a producer of the big, draughty, useful kind that can work as well as show off in the exhibition rings.

For years he has won first place on draft geldings at Toronto and local shows, having owned the first prize team at the recent horse breeders' show in Toronto, a cut of which appeared the following week in the Standard.

Having given up the lease of the farm, and retiring from active business, he has decided to disperse his many high-class milch cows to pass under the hammer. Among the horses there is a fine Macqueen (6866), a three-year-old stallion out of old Macqueen, that is a good one. A imported, mare, five years old, sired by Queen's Guard, and in foal to Baron Allister, is a grandly made beast weighing 1800 lbs. Another imported queen, and will prove a valuable investment for someone. These animals are

the kind that pay for they raise the good ones. A registered mare, four years old, sired by Macqueen, and in foal to Baron's Pride, horse Baron Elect (imp.), and a mare four years, sired by Prince of Currah, and in foal to Gormley's big Fullerton (imp.) will make two valuable brood mares.

In geldings he has a four-year-old by Gallant Chatton, a matched team, six and nine years, that are built along right lines, besides the show team, Charlie and Gypsy, which won first at the recent show. They are fine animals with feet and legs built for work, and bodies made to carry the necessary power and energy.

Four horse colts from such sires as the champion Right Forward, Baron Allister and Gallant Chatton. One of the colts by Right Forward has six registered dams and is a right good one.

In Hackneys, a black mare, four years old, out of the champion Saxon, is eligible to register and is a stylish one. A chestnut gelding three years by Whitewall Fashion (imp.) and a gelding three years by Carl King make two good drivers to boot.

A good road horse will be sold also. All these animals are sound and Mr. Cowie's reputation should mean dollars to every attendant of this sale, for no poor animal would be kept by him, as it had to make good or get out. These notes underestimate the quality of his stock and buyers and farmers everywhere can ill afford to miss this sale now that spring is nearly here and the outlook for good animals is so gloomy.

BUNKER'S SALE.

Charlie Bunker of Pickering has sold his farm to Mr. Reid, lumberman, of Toronto, and all his implements, horses and Yorkshires must go, included in this sale is his right celebrated Clyde stallion, Bucephalus (imp.), nine years old and a good one. He has been the sire of the blocky type and his colts have sold like hot cakes. This year he has proven himself 80 per cent. sure, and as he is a handsome block, weighing 2000 lbs. and as good a driver as a whip, his days of usefulness in new territory are just beginning. Any one or syndicate requiring a stallion can hunt many a long day before getting a better. His Clyde fillies, draft geldings, and standard bred colts out of Hal Forest 214-1-2, are hard to beat. In implements he has the best real good old type of big dairy Short-horn milkers wait for this sale.

GEORGE LENG'S MILCH COWS.
It is asserted, and with truth, that there is no better place to get deep milking cattle east of Toronto, than can be seen on Geo. Leng's farm near Pickering. The cows look like Scotch Holsteins, but they have stolen the Holstein udders. Further notes will follow, but if you want one of the best real good old type of big dairy Short-horn milkers wait for this sale.

SALE REPORT.

The sale of Ayrshires and Yorkshires held at the Union Stock Yards last Friday came off successfully, with Auctioneer Geo. Jackson of Port Perry in charge.

The Ayrshire cattle were all sold and went to various parts of the country. Snowdrops Fitzaway, a choice young bull from Donlands farm, brought \$70 from E. C. Monkman of Brampton, while Guy of Dingleton, and Gregg of Weston secured others merit.

The Donlands cows were secured by Wm. Thorn of Lyndoch, E. B. Palmer of Norwich, F. Begg of Downsview and others at prices ranging to \$90.

A. A. Morden and Son of Wellington dispersed their whole herd at fair prices, many of the animals going below their true value as breeders and performers. The best cows brought about \$100 each.

In Yorkshires, D. Gunn and Son sold one boar for \$50 to D. C. Platt, while others ranged around the \$30 mark. Donlands' sows brought \$30 for Grasmere Sybil 8th, and \$33 for Grasmere Malden 11th to Blair Ketchen of New Lovell. A Merryworth of Redbridge secured Grasmere Cinderella XII, for \$35.

F. M. Chapman's young sows were sold to D. C. Platt and Son, B. Thompson of Malvern and J. E. Baker of Carville, for an average of \$25. The young pigs ranged in prices from \$8 up.

FATAL FIGHT OVER DOG.
NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—James Klerman, aged 38, a saloon-keeper, and Charles Winters, aged 25, a driver, were shot and perhaps mortally wounded today in Stapleton, Staten Island, in a quarrel over a dog owned by Winters. Frank Warner is under arrest, but asserts he fired the shots in self-defense.

AUCTION SALE

Clydesdale Horses, Milk Cows and Implements.

At my Farm, one mile north of Pickering Village, on
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1909
at 1 o'clock P.M.

HORSES.—Clydesdale mare, Polly N. aged, in foal to Cairngarn imp. 1 filly foal, registered by Cairngarn imp. 1 team geldings, 4 and 5 years, good, stylish plow team; 2 2-year-old colts, H.D.; 1 horse, G. P. 4 years; 1 boy driver, 6 years; 1 roadster, 1 year, by Lord Jewell.

CATTLE, ETC.—1 fresh milch cow; 1 grade short-horn, due in March; 3 grade Jerseys, due in March; several young cattle; 1 brood sow; and a fine line of implements, as wagons, plows, roller, fanning mills and 60 gallon funnels.

TERMS: Eight months' credit on usual items.

D. McDIARMID, Proprietor. W. B. POWELL, Auctioneer

AUCTION SALE

MILKING GRADE, SHORTHORNS, HORSES, IMPLEMENTS, SEED GRAIN, HAY AND ROOTS.

at the farm, one mile west of village, on
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3rd.

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Milk and Other Cattle.
4 Fresh Milk Cows, high grade.
1 Cow, due shortly.
1 Shorthorn Bull, bred by Millers.
1 Fat Two-year-old Steers.
3 Yearlings.
3 Calves.
Above are the finest bunch of grade cattle between Toronto and Kingston. Some of the cows weigh 1800 and are good milkers. Not a poor one offered.

Horses.
7 Team Matched Bays, 4 and 5 years.
1 Brood Mare, reg. Clyde, aged.
1 Two-year-old Gelding.
1 Team Workers.
1 Driver.

Implements, Hay, Etc.
Fine lot of implements in good shape.
40 Tons Mixed Hay, first class.
2000 Bushel Roots.

Terms.—Credit on usual items. Sale at 1 o'clock. Farm is sold.
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SALE CALENDAR.

Donald McDiarmid's sale of horses, cattle, etc., Pickering, Feb. 17.
Bryon sale of horses and lot, horses, etc., at Pickering, Feb. 20.
George Davidson & Sons' sale of registered Clyde stallions, milch cows, roadster horses and ponies, milch cows, and implements, Cherrywood, Feb. 24.

John Henderson's sale of Yorkshire Canadian-bred Clydesdales, milch cows and implements at Markham, Feb. 25.
James Laughlin's sale of farm stock and implements at Cherrywood, March 17.

CREDIT SALE

of Registered Mares and Geldings, also of Registered cows, calves by side, property of P. J. Fisher, Lot 16, Con. 8, Scarborough, half-mile east of Malvern. Sale on Feb. 26, 1909. D. Baldam, auctioneer. Bus will meet all trains at Agincourt in the forenoon at both stations, also the 10.30, 11.30 and 12.30 cars at Markham-road.

Brother Files Caveat Against Will.

Slas James, 227 George-street, has issued a caveat against the granting of probate in the matter of the will of his brother John, late of this city, as that the paper purporting to be the will was made by him when he was of sound mind, and that it was secured under undue influence. The dead man left an estate of \$213 to four nieces in equal shares, viz., Laura and Florence James, Vaughan Township; May James, Bowmanville, and Beatrice, Forbes, Thornhill.

University Saturday Lecture.

The university lecture this afternoon at three o'clock will be given by the vice-president. The subject, "A visit to Provence," is most romantic and the reputation of Professor Ramsay Wright as an interesting lecturer, who in English or in French, should draw a large audience of the general public to the Physics Building. The lecture will be illustrated.

AUCTION SALE

CLYDESDALES and PONIES

Milk Cows, Sheep and Implements

The prize-winning stock of
GEO. DAVIDSON & SONS, CHERRYWOOD
at their farm at Lot 30, Con. 3, Pickering Township, on
Wednesday, Feb. 24, 1909

The following valuable stock of Horses, Cattle and Implements will be sold:

Reg. Clydesdales.
Queen Bess, 5 years, bred to Baron Allister, (sweepstakes mare, Toronto.)
Macqueen, filly, 1 year, 1st prize Chicago, 1907.
Fair Queen, aged, bred to Macqueen, MacAirlie, 4 years, stallion by Macqueen.
MacRobbie, stallion, 3 years, by Macqueen.
1 Team Geldings, 4 and 7 years.
1 Foal by MacRobbie.
1 Pair Drivers, 4 and 5 years, matched, by Hal Forest, 214-1-2.
1 Filly, 2 years, by Carl King.
1 Colt by Royal Oak.

Reg. Clydesdales.
1 Pony Brood Mare, bred to 1st prize stallion Hackney Pony.
1 Pony, 1 year, by Spark.
1 Pony Foal, by Spark.

Cattle, implements, &c.
1 Pure Bred Durham Bull, 2 years, March.
4 Grade Shorthorn Cows, due in March.
1 Grade Holstein.
2 Cows, milking.
1 Steer, 1 year.
4 Fat Steers.
20 Grade Shropshire Sheep.
Implements &c.

TERMS.—Credit on usual items. Sale at 12 o'clock. Trains met at Markham, G.T.R. and Locust Hill, C.P.R. See notes on horses elsewhere in this issue.

555 THOMAS POUCHER, Auctioneer

IMPORTANT AUCTION SALE

Imp. & Can.-Bred Clydesdales

Milch Cows and Implements

THE PROPERTY OF
John W. Cowie, Markham
AT ASHGROVE FARM, ON
THURSDAY, FEB. 25, 1909

The following valuable property will be sold:

Horses.
Alex. Macqueen, stallion, 3 years.
Imp. Mare, 5 years, sired by Balmie Queen's Guard, in foal to Baron Allister imp.
Imp. Mare, 5 years, bred to Macqueen imp.
Reg. Mare, 4 years, by Macqueen, bred to Baron Elect imp.
Reg. Mare, 4 years old, bred to Fullerton imp.
Team Matched Geldings, 6 and 9 years.
1 Gelding, 2 years.
1 Reg. Mare, 5 years, by Prince of Currah.
1 Gelding, 4 years, by Gallant Chatton.
2 Foals by Right Forward.

Milk Cows, Etc.
8 Fresh Milk Cows.
1 Jersey, due in March.
1 Cow, due in spring.
3 Young Cattle.
1 Fat Bull.
Brass Mounted Harness, Hay and Implements.

TERMS.—Credit on usual items. Sale at 11 o'clock. Lunch at 12 o'clock. Long distance Bell phone on farm. Trains met at Locust Hill, C.P.R., and Markham, G. T. R.

J. W. COWIE, Proprietor. J. H. HENRICKE, Auctioneer.

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1 Three-year-old Chestnut Gelding, green, but under 2 min., 15 1-2 hands and right, by Hal Forest and dam by Flying Amber.
1 Bay Gelding, one year, full brother to No. 1.
1 Brown Stallion Foal, full brother to No. 1.
Hal Forest is noted sire of the best.

Clydesdales.
Bucephalus (imp.), by Sir Christopher, 9 years, most successful sire, weight 2100 lbs.
2 Filly Foals, reg. by Bucephalus (imp.).

Horses.
2 Geldings, 1 year.
1 Gelding, 2 years.

Implements, &c.
A splendid line of implements, almost new, as always new ones were purchased, including: Potato Sprayer, Seeding and Haying Machinery, Hay Dericks, Manure Spreader, etc., sufficient to work 500 acres of land.
100 Bags Seed Potatoes.

Terms.—Credit till October on usual items. Sale at 12.30 o'clock. Lunch provided. Trains G. T. R. met morning of sale. Farm has been sold to Mr. Reid, lumberman, of Toronto.

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